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Pursuant to 37 CFR 1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, the attention of the Patent and Trademark Office is hereby directed to the references listed on the attached PTO/SB/08. It is respectfully requested that the information be expressly considered during the prosecution of this application, and that the references be made of record therein and appear among the "References Cited" on any patent to issue therefrom.

This Information Disclosure Statement accompanies the new patent application submitted herewith.

A summary/abstract translation of the non-English language references is enclosed. Also, JP Patent Nos. 2003-189546, JP 2001-30763 are discussed on pages 1 and 2 of the present Specification.

US Publication No. 2002/158523 and WO 2001/069762 corresponds to JP Patent No. 2003-527061. US Publication No. 2004/245161 corresponds to WO 2003/001646. US Patent No. 6,162,142 corresponds to JP Patent No. 11-34668. US Publication No. 2003/020347 corresponds to WO 2002/023698.

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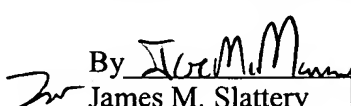
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